



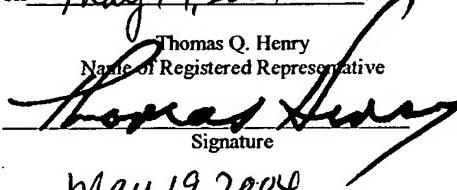
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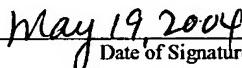
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Filed March 2, 2004)
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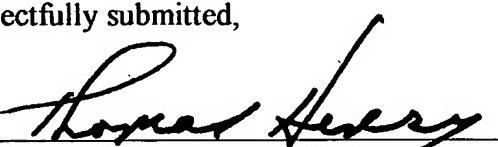
LETTER TO THE EXAMINER

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Sir:

Enclosed please find the executed declaration of the inventor for the above application. The original declaration filed with the application on March 2, 2004 contained an error in that the title was incorrect. The inventor has re-signed the Declaration and it is being submitted herewith.. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3030.

Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION FOR UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION (37 CFR 1.63)		Attorney Docket Number	7404-613
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<input type="checkbox"/> Declaration Submitted With Initial Filing	<input type="checkbox"/> Declaration Submitted after Initial Filing <small>(surcharge 37 CFR 1.16 (e) required)</small>	Application Number	10/791,173
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I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ELECTRICAL STIMULATION TO ENHANCE LANCING DEVICE PERFORMANCE

(Title of the Invention)

the specification of which

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I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claim, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge and hereby disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

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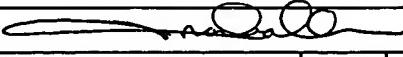
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